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*Houston's Part in the World War.* Edited by Mrs. W. M. Baines, Houston, 1919. Pp. 204.

This book is most comprehensive in its scope, dealing as it does with all the War activities of Houston, grouped under appropriate headings, from April 6, 1917, when America entered the War, to the celebration of the first anniversary of the Armistice, November 11, 1919.

The dedication by the editor is to "all the War workers," and a special tribute to the women from the pen of Mrs. Belle Costello, forms the introduction.

One of the first illustrations shows the bronze pedestal of the flagstaff, erected through the efforts of the War Mothers to the Houston soldiers, dedicated August 10, 1919. The book is creditable in every way, the typographical work is good, the many illustrations of excellent quality, the subjects impartially chosen and skillfully handled.

The War fairly won, and the Armistice anniversary duly celebrated, the Houston Ship Channel claimed its share of attention, and the last pages are devoted to a poem on "Texas," celebrating her glory in war, her grandeur in peace.

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*The History of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.* Edited and compiled by Stella L. Christian. Published by the authority of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. Houston, Dealy-Adey-Elgin Co., C. 1919. Pp. X+398.

The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, organized at Waco in 1897, has year by year since that time "been weaving itself into the constructive policies of its native State, each year becoming a larger factor in that which makes for better homes, better schools, better citizenship."

Mrs. Christian's history of the Federation, which covers the period, 1897-1917, is, therefore, a contribution to the annals of the present generation. With one exception, each of the ten presidents whose administrations are treated, furnished a resume of her own administration. That exception is Mrs. Anna J. H. Pennybacker, who was in view of her work as General Federation president asked only to write the preface. The editor has added to the material furnished by the president's quotations from "news-